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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sompong P. OLARIG  
Serial No.: 09/727,032  
Filed: 11/30/2000  
For: Bus Access Arbitration  
Based On Workload  
(As Amended)

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Confirmation No.: 2969  
Group Art Unit: 2181  
Examiner: Justin King  
Docket No.: 200304301-1

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 22, 2003**

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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 18, 2003

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office action of October 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.